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Sir:

In an Office Action mailed November 18, 2003 in the above-captioned application, the Examiner noted that Applicant's Amendment of August 18, 2003 (Paper No. 36) proposes amendments that do not comply with 37 CFR § 1.173(b) and required correction in a supplemental paper. The amendments that follow, which are identical to those proposed in Paper No. 36, but are believed to be in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.173(b), are offered to correct this defect. For the convenience of the Examiner, marked-up versions of the amended claims showing changes relative to their previously pending versions are attached hereto as Appendix A. A clean copy of the claims as pending after entry of this Amendment is attached hereto as Appendix B.

No rejections or objections raised in the Office Action are being addressed at this time; they will be addressed in a separate paper. The claims amendments are being presented in this separate filing to avoid any confusion as to the text of the pending claims during the scheduled interview mentioned in the attached Interview Request Form.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.